

"Artesia Public Library has been selected as one of 20 U.S. libraries to participate in Community Connect: Digital Access at Home, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) and Capital One that offers cash grants to help rural libraries offer internet access and financial education for their patrons. Five Verizon WiFi hotspots are available for check-out. Call 575-746-4252 to check one out or for more information. Keep an eye on our calendar for financial program information."

Community Connect began at Artesia Public Library on February 8th. Five Verizon Jetpacks became available for check-out on that date. They are available to borrow for one week with a one-week renewal barring any reservations. Patrons will need to sign an agreement and, if minors will be using the hotspot, an acknowledgement of unfiltered internet. You can connect up to 15 devices to the hotspot. Keep in mind that each additional device degrades the signal.

Fines will be assessed if a hotspot is not returned, or if it is returned with damage or missing components.